

# Washington State Patrol

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### Washington State Patrol's "Most Wanted" Arrest

Detectives from the Bremerton Criminal Investigation Unit announced the arrest today of WSP Most Wanted suspect Pedro Manuel Hernandez by the Grand Island Police Department in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Hernandez was wanted for a vehicular assault that occurred on November 24, 2003, on State Route 3 at the State Route 302 intersection in Mason County. Hernandez was driving south on SR 3 when he attempted to make a left turn onto SR 302, failing to yield to another vehicle that was northbound on SR 3. The victim driver was seriously injured from the impact and airlifted to a hospital. After the initial impact, the first victim's vehicle then collided with another vehicle that was stopped on SR 302 waiting to make a right turn onto SR 3. Hernandez had been drinking at the time of the collision. Hernandez was arrested for Vehicular Assault but subsequently failed to appear at his arraignment in Superior Court.

Bremerton WSP detectives learned that Hernandez failed to appear and were able to track him to a residence in Grand Island Nebraska. The Detectives notified the Grand Island Police Department who found Hernandez at his residence and arrested him today at 2:30 p.m.

Hernandez is the 30<sup>th</sup> WSP Most Wanted Suspect arrested or located and brought to justice since the website was established in September of 2003.

For more information on the Washington State Patrol's "Most Wanted", go to the WSP website at [www.wsp.wa.gov](http://www.wsp.wa.gov).